

Inventors: Berchenko et al.
Appl. Ser. No.: 09/841,061
Atty. Dkt. No.: 5659-06300

Remarks

A. Pending Claims

Claims 2424-2426, 2430-2438, 2441-2449, 2457, 2458, 2460, 2461, 5150-5165, and 5167-5212 are pending.

B. Provisional Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner provisionally rejected claims 2424-2426, 2430-2438, 2441-2449, 2457, 2458, 2460, 2461, 5150-5165, and 5167-5212 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims of copending Application Nos. 09/840,937; 09/841,170; 09/841,195; 09/841,283; 09/841,285; 09/841,286; 09/841,288; 09/841,291 (U.S. Pat. No. 6,607,033); 09/841,294; 09/841,297 (U.S. Pat. No. 6,591,906); 09/841,300; 09/841,303; 09/841,306; 09/841,308; 09/841,429; 09/841,431; 09/841,432 (U.S. Pat. No. 6,688,387); 09/841,434; 09/841,438 (U.S. Pat. No. 6,581,684); 09/841,439; 09/841,441; 09/841,443 (U.S. Pat. No. 6,588,503); 09/841,444; 09/841,445; 09/841,449; 09/841,488; 09/841,490; 09/841,495 (U.S. Pat. No. 6,588,504); 09/841,500 (U.S. Pat. No. 6,591,907); 09/841,502; 09/841,638; and 09/841,639. Applicant does not believe that a terminal disclaimer is needed for the present application and the above-noted applications. To expedite the case, however, a terminal disclaimer for the applications is provided as a separate document.

C. Additional Remarks

Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

A fee authorization for a terminal disclaimer is being sent as a separate document. If an extension of time is required, Applicant requests the appropriate extension of time. If any other

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